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EXAMINER: Ghafoorian

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ATTY. DOCKET NO.: THA-P-00-001

INVENTION:

"CLOSED END INFUSION CATHETER WITH AN INTRODUCER AND A

METHOD FOR USING THE SAME"

MS Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003 for the above-identified application.

☑ No additional fee is required.

☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

		CLAIMS	AS AMENDED (AME	NDED ONLY)		
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONA FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	26	MINUS	26	ХO	X 9.00 X 18.00	0
INDEP. CLAIMS	03	MINUS	03	хо	X 42.00 X 84.00	0
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES	\$130.00 \$260.00 ONE TIME	0
			TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT		0	

- Ø The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Acct. No. 50-0595. <u>A duplicate of this sheet is</u> enclosed for this purpose.
- Applicants hereby petitions the Commissioner for a one-month extension of time so that the period for response is extended to September 21, 2003. <u>Applicants enclose herewith a check in the amount of \$55.00 as payment for the fee.</u> Ø

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the attached Transmittal letter, Amendment, check for \$55.00, and

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE AMENDMENT

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Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

S I R:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

- Claim 1 (currently amended): A catheter <u>assembly</u> for placing within a body, the catheter <u>assembly</u> comprising:
- a flexible hollow body defining a length between a top end and a bottom end wherein the top end is closed and wherein the top end tapers to a cylindrical tube;
 - a diameter defined by the cylindrical tube;
- a width defined by the bottom end of the flexible body wherein the width is greater than the diameter;
- a locking mechanism located on the bottom end of the flexible body;
- a first notch located a distance from a point at which the top end meets the cylindrical tube;
 - a second notch located a distance from the bottom end;
- a cylindrical body defining a cross with a length defined between a pointed end and a flat end;